

have all been willing to at least make concessions so that we can make progress. Senator DASCHLE and I appreciate that. The consent we will ask would provide for two amendments to be brought up in the morning, and it would be the Gordon Smith/Jeffords amendment, followed by the Lautenberg amendment, with a vote on both of those at 10:30. The pending business is still the Harkin amendment, but we would intend at that time to go to the supplemental bill. We are going to try to get a 2-hour time agreement on that. When that is over, we will be back where we stood with the Frist-Ashcroft amendment. That summarizes the agreement.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that with respect to the Gordon Smith/Jeffords amendment there be 60 minutes for debate, equally divided in the usual form on the Gordon Smith amendment and amendment No. 362, the Lautenberg amendment, to run concurrently beginning at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, and all other provisions of the consent agreement of May 14 remain in place and the amendment be laid down tonight prior to the close of Senate business.

I further ask consent that the vote occur on the Gordon Smith-Jeffords amendment just prior to the vote on amendment 362, under the same time restraints and provisions as provided above.

I further ask that the Senate resume amendment No. 355 immediately following the disposition of amendment No. 362.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, and I shall not object. That is with the understanding that the Senator from Iowa is represented under the same circumstances as when we broke off, is that correct?

Mr. LOTT. He still would have priority recognition under the agreement and under the procedures anyway, but also under the agreement that was included. Both sides of this issue don't want to lose their positions. But this will allow us to do these two amendments and to do the supplemental, and then that will be the pending issue. We know we have to find a way to get to a conclusion.

I want to emphasize now that we will do the supplemental after those first 2 votes.

Mr. REID. Reserving the right to object. Mr. Leader, would it be possible for the unanimous consent request to be amended to reflect that 15 minutes of the time on the Smith amendment be controlled by Senator SCHUMER, that he take 5 minutes of the 15 minutes, and then the remaining 10 minutes go to Senator LAUTENBERG?

Mr. LOTT. I think I got lost. Is it just a division of how the time would go on your side?

Mr. REID. Yes. One of our Members wanted to control 15 minutes. He is going to use 5 minutes of it and give the rest to Senator LAUTENBERG.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I amend that UC request to that effect, based on

the assurance of the intent given by the distinguished Democratic whip. If it turns out that it is somehow or another not fair, we will revisit that tomorrow. I change the UC to include that request.

Mr. ASHCROFT. Reserving the right to object, and I don't intend to object, I want to indicate that this is about the fourth time we have displaced this amendment, which I have been working on in conjunction with Senator FRIST. This amendment has been the pending business since last Friday. This is not a novel amendment.

I just want to indicate that I intend to get a vote on this amendment. Votes have been taken on amendments on both sides. The right way to resolve any dispute on this amendment is to vote on it. I have been ready to vote on this amendment for quite some time. I think everyone on both sides of the aisle knows what the amendment is about.

I would just indicate that when this amendment comes back up I will persist in expecting the same courtesy that this body has accorded all other amendments to be accorded to this amendment, and I will work hard to make sure we have an opportunity to vote on it.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I again express my appreciation to Senator ASHCROFT for his willingness to agree to this unanimous consent tonight. He is right. He, Senator FRIST, and Senator HARKIN have agreed to be put aside. I think it will be the fourth time we wouldn't have been able to get this agreement without their cooperation. I understand their determination on both sides of the issue. I appreciate the fact they were willing to agree to this.

Did we get an agreement?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 366

(Purpose: To reverse provisions relating to pawn and other gun transactions)

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk on behalf of Senators SMITH of Oregon and JEFFORDS.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT), for Mr. SMITH of Oregon, and Mr. JEFFORDS, proposes an amendment numbered 366.

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

#### SEC. . PROVISIONS RELATING TO PAWN AND OTHER GUN TRANSACTIONS.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the repeal of paragraph (1) and amendment of paragraph (2) made by subsection (c) with the heading "Provision Relating to Pawn and Other Transactions" of section 4 of the title with the heading "General Firearms Provisions" shall be null and void.

(b) COMPLIANCE.—Except as to the State and local planning and zoning requirements for a licensed premises as provided in subparagraph (D), a special licensee shall be subject to all the provisions of this chapter applicable to dealers, including, but not lim-

ited to, the performance of an instant background check.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma is recognized.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. NICKLES. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Tuesday, May 18, 1999, the federal debt stood at \$5,593,840,202,404.86 (Five trillion, five hundred ninety-three billion, eight hundred forty million, two hundred two thousand, four hundred four dollars and eighty-six cents).

One year ago, May 18, 1998, the federal debt stood at \$5,497,225,000,000 (Five trillion, four hundred ninety-seven billion, two hundred twenty-five million).

Five years ago, May 18, 1994, the federal debt stood at \$4,590,202,000,000 (Four trillion, five hundred ninety billion, two hundred two million).

Ten years ago, May 18, 1989, the federal debt stood at \$2,780,338,000,000 (Two trillion, seven hundred eighty billion, three hundred thirty-eight million).

Fifteen years ago, May 18, 1984, the federal debt stood at \$1,485,574,000,000 (One trillion, four hundred eighty-five billion, five hundred seventy-four million) which reflects a debt increase of more than \$4 trillion—\$4,108,266,202,404.86 (Four trillion, one hundred eight billion, two hundred sixty-six million, two hundred two thousand, four hundred four dollars and eighty-six cents) during the past 15 years.

#### CHANGES TO THE BUDGETARY AGGREGATES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ALLOCATION FOR H.R. 1141

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, section 314(b)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act, as amended, requires the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee to adjust the appropriate budgetary aggregates and the allocation for the Appropriations Committee to reflect an amount provided and designated as an emergency requirement pursuant to 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act.

I hereby submit revisions to the 1999 Senate Appropriations Committee allocations, pursuant to section 302 of the Congressional Budget Act, in the following amounts:

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget authority	Outlays
Current Allocation:		
Defense discretionary .....	279,891	271,403

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget authority	Outlays
Nondefense discretionary .....	287,157	273,901
Violent crime reduction fund .....	5,800	4,953
Highways .....	.....	21,885
Mass transit .....	.....	4,401
Mandatory .....	299,159	291,731
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>872,007</b>	<b>868,274</b>
Adjustments:		
Defense discretionary .....	+9,249	+2,525
Nondefense discretionary .....	+3,533	+1,057
Violent crime reduction fund .....	.....	.....
Highways .....	.....	.....
Mass transit .....	.....	.....
Mandatory .....	.....	.....
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>+12,782</b>	<b>+3,582</b>
Revised Allocation:		
Defense discretionary .....	289,140	273,928
Nondefense discretionary .....	290,690	274,958
Violent crime reduction fund .....	5,800	4,953
Highways .....	.....	21,885
Mass transit .....	.....	4,401
Mandatory .....	299,159	291,731
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>884,789</b>	<b>871,856</b>

I hereby submit revisions to the 1999 budget aggregates, pursuant to section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, in the following amounts:

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget authority	Outlays	Deficit
Current Allocation: Budget Resolution .....	1,452,512	1,411,334	- 52,415
Adjustments: H.R. 1141 .....	+12,782	+3,582	- 3,582
Revised Allocation: Budget Resolution .....	1,465,294	1,414,916	- 55,997

I hereby submit revisions of the 2000 Senate Appropriations Committee allocations, pursuant to section 302 of the Congressional Budget Act, in the following amounts:

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget authority	Outlays
Current Allocation:		
General purpose discretionary .....	531,771	536,700
Violent crime reduction fund .....	4,500	5,554
Highways .....	.....	24,574
Mass transit .....	.....	4,117
Mandatory .....	321,502	304,297
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>857,773</b>	<b>875,242</b>
Adjustments:		
General purpose discretionary .....	+1,881	+7,258
Violent crime reduction fund .....	.....	.....
Highways .....	.....	.....
Mass transit .....	.....	.....
Mandatory .....	.....	.....
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>+1,881</b>	<b>+7,258</b>
Revised Allocation:		
General purpose discretionary .....	533,652	543,958
Violent crime reduction fund .....	4,500	5,554
Highways .....	.....	24,574
Mass transit .....	.....	4,117
Mandatory .....	321,502	304,297
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>859,654</b>	<b>882,500</b>

I hereby submit revisions of the 2000 budget aggregates, pursuant to section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, in the following amounts:

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget authority	Outlays	Deficit
Current Allocation: Budget Resolution .....	1,426,720	1,408,082	0
Adjustments: H.R. 1141 .....	+1,881	+7,258	- 7,258
Revised Allocation: Budget Resolution .....	1,428,601	1,415,340	- 7,258

### CONDEMNING RUSSIAN ANTI-SEMITISM

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, I rise today in support of S. Con. Res. 19, a resolution condemning growing Russian anti-Semitism.

Russian anti-Semitism, is nothing new in the world. Throughout Russian history, Jews have faced attacks in the form of pogroms, forced military duty for terms of up to 25 years, and a general pattern of persecution and discrimination. With the end of the Soviet Union and the rise of democracy in Russia, we thought these kinds of acts were a part of the past. Unfortunately, they are not.

On Saturday, May 1, there were two bomb blasts at two Moscow synagogues, one at Moscow's main Choral Synagogue. There was light damage at both sites, yet the bombings on the Sabbath and on May 1, "May Day" was a scary development.

These violent acts, combined with the various statements issued by Communist members of the Russian Duma can only serve to stir up increased violence. This is extremely unfortunate.

There is no place for violence and hatred in our society. We in Congress and the rest of the world must actively condemn this violence and hatred before it gets out of hand, as has been the case all too many times in this century. Thank you Mr. President.

### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:58 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1141) making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, and for other purposes.

### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-3062. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to various management concerns; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3063. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a report entitled "Economic and Political Transition in Indonesia"; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-3064. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Para-Aramid Fibers and Yarns", received May 12, 1999; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3065. A communication from the Acting Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Federal Speculative Position Limits and Associated Rules" (RIN3038-AB32), received May 17, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3066. A communication from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Risk Management Agency, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Common Crop Insurance Regulations; Grape Crop Insurance Provisions; Final Rule", received May 17, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3067. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax Relief for Those Affected by Operation Allied Force" (Notice 99-30), received May 17, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3068. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Equitable Relief from Joint and Several Liability" (Notice 99-29), received May 10, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3069. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rev. Proc. 99-25", received May 12, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3070. A communication from the Acting Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind and Disabled; Substantial Gainful Activity Amounts" (RIN0960-AE98), received April 20, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3071. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Veterans Subvention Demonstration; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3072. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the Department of the Treasury; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3073. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Intercountry Adoption Act"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3074. A communication from the Chairman of the Board, African Development Foundation, transmitting, a draft of a proposed amendment to the International Security and Development Cooperation Act of 1980; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3075. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, Agency for International Development, transmitting, a draft of a proposed amendment to the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.